SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" Why are the Government keeping that officer for so long in such a place especially when he is found to be an addict to drink?"

MR. SPEAKER :—" I cannot allow the question. The Hon. Minister has already said that such questions should not be put without proper enquiry."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" Sir, already the Minister for Prohibition has deprecated the question being put without having a previous enquiry. A supplementary question is now put to suggest that the officer concerned, whose name has been given, is an addict to drink. I submit this question should not be allowed."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I have already said so."

Revision of the scales of pay of Assistant Public Prosecutors.

* 82 Q.—SRI V. GOPALA GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Minister for Law be pleased to state whether any representation was received from the Assistant Public Prosecutors working in the State for the revision of their pay and allowances and, if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" Representation has been received from the Assistant Public Prosecutors for the increase of their scales of pay and the matter is under the consideration of the Government."

SRI V. GOPALA GOUNDER :—" May I know, Sir, whether there was revision of scales of pay of the State Public Prosecutors in the City and the Assistant Public Prosecutors?"

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" In 1947 their scales were revised."

SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" What is the present scale of pay of the Public Prosecutors and the State Prosecutors?"

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" The present pay is this: Grade I—Rs. 200—10—300, Grade II—Rs. 150—5—200."

SRI T. VISWANATHAM :—" May I know, Sir, whether the status of the Assistant Public Prosecutors is the same, and emoluments and other amenities are the same, as those enjoyed by the Crown Public Prosecutors and Assistant Prosecutors in the State?"

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" A separate question may be put, Sir."

SRI PILLALAMARRI VENKATESWARLU :—" The Hon. Minister was kind enough to tell us that he is considering the revision of the pay scales of the Public Prosecutors. May I know, Sir, if that is also a financial sabotage?"

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THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I do not know under what apprehension the hon. Member is suffering. I can assure him that reasonable consideration will be given to all demands."

SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN :—" In view of the fact that Assistant Public Prosecutors (Grade V) are men qualified in law, would the Government see their way to increase the basic pay from Rs. 150 to Rs. 200? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I already submitted that the question was being considered."

SRI V. GOPALA GOUNDER :—" Sir, what is the scale of pay of the Assistant Public Prosecutors in the City of Madras? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" A separate question may be put, Sir."

SRI S. S. KOLKEBAIL :—" Are the Government aware that they are not getting sufficient response from qualified men in view of the fact that they will be paid very low salaries? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" Sir, it is not because of low pay but because they have now no opening to go up that the Government are considering that question."

SRI C. V. K. RAO :—" May I know, Sir, on what principles and conditions the Assistant Public Prosecutors are appointed in this State? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :— " Efficiency, Sir." (Laughter.)

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" May I know, Sir, whether the Assistant Public prosecutors are recruited by the Madras Public Service Commission and if so, is the principle of communal rotation properly adhered to? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" Sir, the Government appoint them."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" My question has not been answered, Sir."

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I said, Sir, the Government appoint them. So it is an answer to his question whether they are appointed by the Public Service Commission."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" I wanted to know whether the 'communal rotation' was observed."

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" The Communal G.O. does not apply, Sir."

SRI M. JAGANNATHAN :—" The Hon. Minister stated that Government are considering the question of revision of salary of Assistant Public Prosecutors from Rs. 150 to Rs. 200. May I know, Sir, the time limit set for this consideration? "

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THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I said that we are considering their demands. We are addressing the High Court and we will finalise after consultation with it, what their pay should be. I did not state that the Government would fix their pay at any particular figure."

SRI V. GOPALA GOUNDER :—" Sir, has the Commission set up for the enquiry into the working of the separation of the Judiciary from the Executive recommended the revision of the pay of the Assistant Public Prosecutors? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" A separate question may be put, Sir."

SRI M. BAPAIAH CHOWDARY :—" In view of there being no scope for the Assistant Public Prosecutors to go up, will the Hon. Minister be pleased to state that they will be considered for promotion to the posts of District Munsifs and Subdivisional Magistrates? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAYAR :—" In 1947 their pay was revised and the Government are considering all aspects of the question now."

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" Sir, have not the wives of the Assistant Public Prosecutors come to the aid of their husbands? " (Laughter.)

Application of Rent Reduction Act to Punnavalli inam village.

* 83 *Q.*—SRI V. RAMA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the rates of which adjacent village or villages were taken into consideration in applying Rent Reduction Act to Punnavalli inam village ;

(*b*) what are the various classes of land rent in Punnavalli village at present ; and

(*c*) whether there was any representation from the ryots that the rents fixed were unfair?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (*a*) As there are no ryoti lands in the village the Rent Reduction Act has not been applied to it.

" (*b*) The Government have no information.

" (*c*) Does not arise."

SRI V. RAMA RAO :—" May I know, Sir, whether when the Rent Reduction Act was applied to that village, a neighbouring estate village was taken where the rates were very high when compared to the ryotwari village? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, I said the Rent Reduction Act was not applied because there are no ryoti lands and the whole village consists of home-farm lands."